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RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE LESLIE BELL SINGERS

Acclaimed by leading critics as the continent's finest girl chorus, the Leslie Bell Singers have recently added new laurels to their international fame. Their brilliant triumph, the Canadian General Electric programme, which is heard on the CBC Dominion network, Sunday evenings, is listeners' first choice among all musical programmes heard from either Canada or the United States.

After the Leslie Bell Singers' appearance on the great Winnipeg Flood Relief show in June, Fred Waring wrote Dr. Bell: "Nothing pleased and impressed me more than the splendid Leslie Bell Singers. I can truly say that they, and your able directing, are indeed wonderful." During the Singers' summer "holiday"', they recorded another album of songs for release in November, and again drew capacity crowds at the Canadian National Exhibition bandshell, where they gave nightly concerts.

Offers continue to pour in from the United States, for example, from Radio City Music Hall and Columbia Concerts, but Dr. Bell finds the scope for radio and concert work quite broad enough in Canada, and prefers to confine his U.S. appearances for the time being to border points like Buffalo and Northern New York State. The C.G.E. radio series and the New York debut of the Leslie Bell Singers, in Madison Square Gardens, last summer, have been the cause of the overwhelming demand for these Canadian artists on the U.S. concert stage.

The ensemble's talented choral director, Dr. Leslie Bell, is also noted the world over for his choral arrangements of all types of music. Wherever English and French-Canadian choral music is heard, programmes carry the familiar notation, "arrangement by Dr. Leslie Bell". It is interesting to know, too, that Dr. Bell has scored arrangements for Fred Waring Productions, and that for the past two years he has written a weekly music column for one of Toronto's leading dailies.

There are many contributing factors to the outstanding success of Dr. Leslie Bell.

Number one rule with Dr. Bell is a careful selection of singers. Rather than choose those who have had the mechanics of singing drilled into them professionally, he prefers those who possess both talent and a willingness to submit to his direction. The freshness and enthusiasm so apparent in the ensemble, are the obvious result of the Bell method of selection and direction.

Secondly, Dr. Bell keeps definite singers' voices in mind when arranging his music. That is why listeners often hear violins playing, or the odd instrument, and maybe even the deeper tones of the drums. A third reason, is Bell's direction technique. His hypnotic hands tell them what to do; his equally sensitive face tells them how they are doing it.

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Our movement began in Ohio, in 1920, spreading rapidly through the U.S.A. and into Canada. To-day, Y's Men's Clubs are located in sixty-nine countries, with over 50 clubs in Canada. The Niagara Falls Y's Men's Club was organized in the Spring of 1948, and received its charter from the International Association on June 3rd, 1948.

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